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## **AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 28, 2005. It is believed that no fee is due at this time to maintain the application in full force and effect. However, if any such fee or charge is due, please charge this fee to Deposit Account No. 502099.

Please amend the application as described herein.

## **REMARKS**

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on July 28, 2005, in connection with this case. In that Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-4 and 6-13 but indicated that claim 14 was allowed. The Examiner rejected claims 1-4 and 6-13 under 35 USC § 102(b) based on U.S. Patent No. 3,049,782 to Hawie. The Examiner further rejected claim 6 under 35 USC § 103(a) based on the combination of the Hawie reference and U.S. Patent No. 4,194,274 to Garrison. Finally, the Examiner rejected claims 1-4 and 6-13 based on the combination of the Hawie reference and U.S. Patent No. 5,388,313 to Cameron. The Applicant respectfully submits that